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From the French Camp before Nice, Dec. 2. N. S.

WE have not yet raiſed our Batteries againſt the Caſtle of Nice, that Work having been delayed by the ill Weather; nor do we expect they can be in a readineſs to play upon the Beſieged before a week or 10 days hence. The Beſieged fire very warmly upon us with their Cannon; and we have had ſeveral Men killed, and a Colonel, with divers others, wounded.

Venice, Dec. 4. An Expreſs paſſed lately through this City, going to Vienna, with the welcome News of the Surrender of Barcelona, and the further Progreſſes of the Confederate Troops in Catalonia. The Imperial and the French Armies in Lombardy continue in the ſame Poſts; and according to our Letters from Trent, a great Number of Recruits paſſed lately through that Place, in order to join the Imperial Army. Our laſt Advices from Conſtantinople ſay, That all things continued very quiet there ſince the ſuppreſſing of the laſt Conſpiracy; and that the Ottoman Porte does ſtill appear entirely well diſpoſed to maintain the Peace concluded at Carlowitz with the Emperor, and the other Powers concerned in the late War between the two Empires.

Trent, Dec. 6. General Staremberg arrived here lately from Piedmont, in his way to Vienna, and is ſince gone forward on his Journey. There are daily marching through this Place Recruits and other Reinforcements for the Imperial Army in Italy.

Ratiſbon, Dec. 10. Colonel de Went has repoſſeſſed himſelf of Burghauſen, one of the Towns which the Bavarians, who lately took up Arms againſt the Emperor, had ſurpriſed: And we hear this day, that the latter have made ſome Propoſals for laying down their Arms, and ſubmitting to his Imperial Majeſty. Five Regiments of the Imperial Troops which were to be employed in the ſuppreſſing of this Inſurrection are advanced to Donawert and Ingolſtad, where they are to paſs the Danube; and they are followed by the reſt of the Forces which are appointed for this Service with all poſſible expedition; ſo that we hope theſe Troubles will in a very ſhort time be entirely compoſed.

Dreſden, Dec. 12. We have an Account from Luſatia, That the Body of Swediſh Forces which lay encamped at Meſeritz is ſeparated, and gone into Quarters; and that General Reinſchild, who commanded it, is gone to wait upon the King of Sweden at Blonien. The Saxon Army which was encamped near Guben is alſo marched into Winter Quarters; and the neceſſary Orders are now giving out for recruiting and augmenting our Forces againſt the next Campaign.

Falmouth, Dec. 13. On the 11th Inſtant came in here the Poplar Frigat, John Penington Commander, of London, from Barcelona, who parted with 5 Sail more 10 days ago in bad Weather. Yeſterday put in here by contrary Winds the Admiralty Galley for Leghorne, and the King William Packet from the Weſt-Indies, who both came out of Plimouth the 11th Inſtant. This day arrived here the Alliance Packet-Boat from Lisbon, Captain Green Commander, having been 8 days in her Paſſage. Juſt now arrived here the John Pink Store-Ship, Henry Arthur Maſter, from Newfoundland, who came from thence in the Company of 48 Sail of Merchant-Ships, moſt of them bound for Lisbon.

Dartmouth, Dec. 15. On the 10th Inſtant came in here the Exeter Merchant, Captain Walter Prideux Commander. The 13th came in the Thomas and John of London, Captain John Ayrs Commander: And the next day the Nicholas of London, Robert Newman Commander; being all Tranſport-Ships, homeward bound from Barcelona. On the 12th arrived here the Sarah of Poole, Samuel White Commander, homeward bound from Newfoundland. This day came into our Port the John of Limerick, Anthony Apps Maſter, laden with Salmon, Beef and Butter, from thence.

Plimouth, Dec. 16. On the 12th Inſtant came in here the St. Peter, Young Tobias, and the Archelaus of Stockholm, for Bourdeaux; the Merry Frigat of and for London, Thomas Pook Maſter, from Newfoundland; and the William and Mary Tender, and Crown and Scepter, from Barcelona. Yeſterday ſailed to the Eaſtward the Warwick, the Smirna Factor, and the William and Mary Tender. Laſt night arrived here the Mary and Ann of London from Barcelona, laden with Fruit.

Briſtol, Dec. 17. Yeſterday came in here the Charles Galley, Edward Boid Commander, being one of the Jamaica Fleet, which put into New England. The ſame day came in Her Majeſty's Ship the Guernſey, with the London-Bridge, the Margaret Galley, the Dorſet Brigantine, and the Johnſon Frigat: They all parted from Boſton in New-England on the 18th of September laſt. On the 15th at night came in the Swallow Dogger of this Place from Newfoundland. This day came in the Mary of this Place, and the Adventure, both in 4 weeks from Newfoundland. On the 14th Inſtant came in here the Iſabella from Corke, but laſt from Milford; and the Robert from Londonderry.

Cowes, Dec. 15. On the 12th Inſtant Her Majeſty's Ship the Loo, homeward bound from Newfound-